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Final Essay

The involvement of America was an important aspect to World War II. Many countries were suffering from the chaos that Germany and Japan were inflicting. The economies of these conquered countries had un-stable economies and the citizens were in much despair. Many believed that the allies could defend their country. However, in the end there was no hope for the allies because they were weak and were close to being defeated and taken over. America before the war was an isolationist nation because they problems within their own society. They were not concerned about further depleting their own society by getting involved with the chaos that existed outside of America. They were worried about their own great depression and how the government functioned. As a nation they functioned as a neutral country not getting involved in wars and conflicts. However, certain events had occurred and caused the American people and American president to declare war on Germany, Japan and Italy. There decision as a whole was important and it caused some changes in how America operates today. Their involvement proved to be a big step in American history and provided the idea of Americans being a great police power today.

The Americans had certain limitations during the war that caused them to decline their involvement in the war. They had the Great Depression during this time and many problems occurred within the nation. Many citizens were looking for Jobs and the stalk market had collapsed during this time. To show the direct pain of America during this time, there were more people sleeping on the streets and the most number of unemployment in American history. By America going to war during this time would cause their economy to suffer even more. The citizens would not approve of such action and would strongly disagree to such action. Americans during this time were forced to go to war, 18 year old boys were required to serve and this was a main reason that the citizens did not want to go to war. However, the idea of war could promote other things. War could promote jobs and keep their nation safe be defeating the problems of the outside world. Another reason that America did not get involved in the war was its political situation. America has a democracy and because of that strongly disagreed to war. They were a neutral nation and by going to war would be not a good political action of the government. All eyes were on America now and the decision to go to war was very important. Some other restrictions that kept America from being involved in the war were that the American army was weak at this time because of the economy. They were a weaker force compared to the Germans and they were trying to build up a better size force. They were also concerned about the social issues of their military force and the power it will have to defeat the Germans.

The Americans were not going to join the fight in the world. They were more concerned about their own problems and the political status at this time. However, there were certain causes that ethically caused America to enter the World War II. The first event was that the Germans were destroying the economies and conquering the American allies. America had an obligation to respond and fight back the Germans. France, Britain and many other European county leaders were looking upon America to come to their aid. The French, Britain and many European soldiers partnered up with the American army and they became known as the axis-powers. Later after declaring war against Germany, America had a problem concerning the Pacific. Japan was conquering several islands and especially attacking China in the pacific. They were creating chaos in the Pacific Ocean and they were causing concern. Due to Japan attacking China American put an oil embargo on Japan. The American oil embargo caused a crisis in Japan. Reliant on the US for 80% of its oil, the Japanese were forced to decide between withdrawing from China, negotiating an end to the conflict, or going to war to obtain the needed resources elsewhere. In an attempt to resolve the situation, Konoe asked US President Franklin Roosevelt for a summit meeting to discuss the issues. Roosevelt replied that Japan needed to leave China before such a meeting could be held. While Konoe was seeking a diplomatic solution, the military was looking south to the Netherlands East Indies and their rich sources of oil and rubber. So Japan attacked America in the Pacific. They bombed Pearl Harbor in Hawai‘i killing many American sailors, soldiers, citizens, locals and sinking many key American battleships. America had a duty now to strike back now and establish that they will not stand the hostilities of the opposing countries. America also had an obligation to go to war with Japan because the status of China was at stake. With the constant attacks on China by the Japanese the exports from the China to America were declining. China is an important traded for business and without that trade America could suffer. America was also worried about being attacked on both sides of their country. The Germans had control on the east side of the world and the Japanese had control on the west side of the world. Being attacked on both sides of America would impact the economy and status of America. It was not a homeland security issue that the American government needed to take care of before things get out of hand.

During the attack on Europe by the Germans great concern was centered on the allies. They were suffering the most with being conquered and having regulations on their country. The leaders of the allies were worried about their country and the people of their country. There military power could no longer stand up to the aggressive force of the German army’s and was quickly taken over. When the Americans got involved in the war it was uplift to the allies. The American military was a sizable force that could easily match the forces of the German military. The American military could also restore order to the chaos and terrors of war that have already existed at this moment. Due to the fact that the economic stability of the European countries were un-stable, business and government officials liked the idea of America getting involved in the war. It was an important aspect for the Americans and the allies. In America, jobs were being created and as a nation they were growing better and forming up together as one. The war against the Germans and the Japanese had benefitted all of the allies and there ethical spirits. After a few years of war the Americans did establish order and peace again. The allies were very glad of this and appreciated that they had cared about the status of their countries and that there was chaos in there society. But America had an obligation to respond and restore order to this troubling situation.

The World War II was an involvement of many countries. America had a greater impact on World War II and it affected how they function today. The involvement of America in the beginning was questionable in the beginning. Due to the problems that have already existed had caused America to decline their attitude towards its involvement in the war. But then there were the particular events that then occurred to change their idea and involvement of the war. The most important was the attack on Pearl Harbor by Japan. First, with America’s oil embargo on Japan had caused Japan to attack America. The act of the embargo was an actual example of the police power of America. Japan needed oil from America but they declined that oil to Japan. This showed that they had a greater power and showed that they had authority. This also showed that America would no longer stand for the problems of the world. This changed how America functions today because of the involvement it takes. America is now a big police power that uses its political power and military forces. America in-force’s that countries do not commit humanitarian and global problems against other countries and its own citizens. The American involvement had helped the allies and their involvement during World War II has caused Americans today to get involved in other countries today and restore peace during war. They are the great police power of the World and do it with proficiency.